

DOI Safety and Health Council Meeting Summary Minutes
April 2, 2003

1. The Department of the Interior (DOI) Safety Council meeting was held April 2, 2003, during the DOI Safety and Occupational Health Seminar in Phoenix, Arizona.
2. Linda Rowley welcomed the members and convened the meeting at 1:00.
3. Agenda Items.
 - DASHO meeting issues
 - DOI Web-based Training Rollout Efforts
 - DOI Respiratory Protection Guidance for LE Personnel
 - DOI Medical Monitoring Program for LE Personnel
 - DOI Guidance on AED
 - Safety Awareness Week Update
 - July Strategic Planning Session
 - Roundtable
4. Attendees.

Linda Rowley, Chairperson, Bureau of Reclamation (USBR)
Bill Bass, Office of Surface Mining (OSM)
Bill Miller, Geological Survey (USGS)
Chip Murphy, Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), Acting
Dick Powell, National Park Service (NPS)
Bonnie Lightner, Minerals Management Service (MMS)
Phyllis McKoy, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Acting
Chad Chawiwi, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Acting
Mike Kaas, Director, Managing Risk and Public Safety (MRPS)
Diane Schmitz (MRPS)
Bob Garbe (MRPS)
Stan Palmer, National Interagency Fire Center (NIFC), departing
John Gould (NIFC), incoming
5. Stan Palmer (NIFC) will be replaced on the Safety Council by John Gould, who is Chair of Federal Fire Aviation Safety Team (FFAST).
6. Linda Rowley briefed the council on meeting notes from the DASHO meeting.
7. Bill Miller discussed the DOI University web-based safety training for executives and managers.
8. The Council discussed the issues concerning personal protective equipment against WMD, and the use of emergency escape hoods throughout the Department. The Council voted to appoint a task force to serve as a technical resource. This task force is comprised of bureau industrial hygienists.

9. The Council discussed other issues, including AED, strategic planning, awards, meeting locations, future agenda items, and the fire season. Each bureau participated in the roundtable by providing an update of safety program activities and issues in the respective bureaus. The next meeting will be the May teleconference.

10. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.